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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE PORT OF COWES FOR 1961.

Section 1 - Staff

Table A

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Section 11 - Amount of shipping entering district during the year.

Table B

Ships from.	Number.	Tonnage.	Number Inspected. By the Medical Officer of Health.	Number Inspected. By the Sanitary Inspector.	Number of ships reported as having, or having had during the voyage, infectious disease on board.
Foreign Ports.	24	4,376	Nil.	24	nil.
Coastwise	173	70,788	Nil.	173	nil.
Total.	197	75,364	Nil.	197	nil.

The Southampton and Isle of Wight Steam Packet Company run a regular frequent service of Steamers from Southampton to the port not included in the above figures. This service varies from 7 sailings daily each way in the winter to 14 or more in the summer.

Section 111 - Character of shipping and trade during the year.

Table C.

Passenger Traffic -
Number of passengers inwards - Eighteen foreign seamen were landed and transferred to local hospitals.

Number of passengers outwards - Nil.

The Southampton and Isle of Wight Steam Packet Company carried 680,500 passengers and 44,027 private cars and 13,738 commercial vehicles making a total of 57,765 vehicles.

Cargo Traffic -
Principal Imports - Coal, Granite, Timber, Petrol.

Principal Exports - Dairy and Agricultural products.

Principal ports from which ships arrive - Blythe, Goole, South Wales and Dutch Ports.

There were also several hundred private yachts which visited the Port during the summer season.

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Section IV - Inland Barge Traffic.

There is considerable barge traffic between Cowes and Newport in the Isle of Wight and Southampton and Portsmouth on the Mainland.

	Total No.	Net Tonnage.
Arriving Cowes.	2013.	157,410.
Arriving Newport.	1955.	114,373.
Total.	3968.	271,783

Section V - Water Supply

NO CHANGE

Section VI - Public Health (Ships) Regulations, 1952.

NO CHANGE

Section VII - Smallpox

(1) Smallpox cases would be sent to either Ashey or Fairlee Isolation Hospitals after consultation with the County Medical Officer.

(2) Ambulance transport would be by arrangement with the County Medical Officer of Health.

(3) The Smallpox consultant available is Dr. J. Mills, County Hall, Newport, I.W.

(4) Laboratory diagnosis for smallpox would be by the County Laboratory at the Royal I.W. County Hospital, Ryde.

Section VIII - Venereal Disease.

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Section IX - Cases of notifiable and other infectious diseases on ships.

Table D.

Category.	Disease.	Number of cases during the year. Passengers.	Crew.	Number of ships
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports -		Nil.	Nil	Nil.
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival.		Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
Cases landed from other ships.		Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

Section X - Observations on the occurence of malaria in ships.

No cases have arisen of malaria during the year.

Section Xl - Measures taken against ships infected with or suspected for plague.

No cases have arisen of suspected plague during the year.

Section Xll - Measures against rodents in ships from foreign ports.

(1) All ships arriving at the port are boarded by the Sanitary Inspector who inspects the deratisation certificate.

(2) Rodents would be sent to the County Laboratory at the Royal I.W. County Hospital, Ryde. No cases have been sent during the year.

(3) All ships for deratting are referred to Southampton Port Health Authority.

(4) By arrangement with the Port Health Authority, Southampton all ships for rat proofing are referred to that Port.

Table E.

Rodents destroyed during the year in ships from foreign ports

No rodents were destroyed during the year in ships from foreign ports.

Section Xlll - Inspection of Ships for nuisances.

No nuisances have been complained of during the year.

Section XlV - Public Health (Shell-Fish) Regulations. 1934 and 1948

NO CHANGE

Section XVl - Miscellaneous.

NO CHANGE

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